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§ 303.141 Information about the Council.

Each application must include information demonstrating that the State has established a State Interagency Coordinating Council that meets the requirements of subpart G of this part.

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(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1437(a)(3))

§ 303.142 Designation of lead agency.

Each application must include a designation of the lead agency in the State that will be responsible for the administration of funds provided under this part.

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(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1437(a)(1))

§ 303.143 Designation regarding financial responsibility.

Each application must include a designation by the State of an individual or entity responsible for assigning financial responsibility among appropriate agencies.

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(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1437(a)(2))

§ 303.144 Assurance regarding use of funds.

Each application must include an assurance that funds received under this part will be used to assist the State to maintain and implement the statewide system required under subparts D through F of this part.

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(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1475, 1437(a)(3))

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§ 303.145 Description of use of funds.

(a) *General.* Each application must include a description of how a State proposes to use its funds under this part for the fiscal year or years covered by the application. The description must be presented separately for the lead agency and the Council, and include the information required in paragraphs (b) through (e) of this section.

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(b) *Administrative positions.* Each application must include—

(1) A list of administrative positions, with salaries, and a description of the duties for each person whose salary is paid in whole or in part with funds awarded under this part; and

(2) For each position, the percentage of salary paid with those funds.

(c) *Maintenance and implementation activities.* Each application must include—

(1) A description of the nature and scope of each major activity to be carried out under this part in maintaining and implementing the statewide system of early intervention services; and

(2) The approximate amount of funds to be spent for each activity.

(d) *Direct services.* (1) Each application must include a description of any direct services that the State expects to provide to eligible children and their families with funds under this part, including a description of any services provided to at-risk infants and toddlers as defined in § 303.16(b), and their families, consistent with §§ 303.521 and 303.527.

(2) The description must include information about each type of service to be provided, including—

(i) A summary of the methods to be used to provide the service (e.g., contracts or other arrangements with specified public or private organizations); and

(ii) The approximate amount of funds under this part to be used for the service.

(e) *At-risk infants and toddlers.* For any State that does not provide direct services for at-risk infants and toddlers described in paragraph (d)(1) of this section, but chooses to use funds as described in § 303.3(e), each application must include a description of how those funds will be used.

(f) *Activities by other agencies.* If other agencies are to receive funds under this part, the application must include—

(1) The name of each agency expected to receive funds;

(2) The approximate amount of funds each agency will receive; and

(3) A summary of the purposes for which the funds will be used.

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§ 303.146 Information about public participation.

Each application must include the information on public participation that is required in § 303.113(b).

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(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1437(a)(7))

§ 303.147 Services to all geographic areas.

Each application must include a description of the procedure used to ensure that resources are made available under this part for all geographic areas within the State.

(Authority: 20 U.S.C. 1437(a)(6))

[63 FR 18294, Apr. 14, 1998]

§ 303.148 Transition to preschool programs.

Each application must include a description of the policies and procedures to be used to ensure a smooth transition for children receiving early intervention services under this part to preschool or other appropriate services, including—

- (a) A description of how the families will be included in the transition plans;
- (b) A description of how the lead agency under this part will—

(1) Notify the local educational agency for the area in which the child resides that the child will shortly reach the age of eligibility for preschool services under Part B of the Act, as determined in accordance with State law;

(2)(i) In the case of a child who may be eligible for preschool services under Part B of the Act, with the approval of the family of the child, convene a conference among the lead agency, the family, and the local educational agency at least 90 days, and at the discretion of the parties, up to 6 months, before the child is eligible for the pre-

school services, to discuss any services that the child may receive; or

(ii) In the case of a child who may not be eligible for preschool services under Part B of the Act, with the approval of the family, make reasonable efforts to convene a conference among the lead agency, the family, and providers of other appropriate services for children who are not eligible for preschool services under Part B, to discuss the appropriate services that the child may receive;

(3) Review the child's program options for the period from the child's third birthday through the remainder of the school year; and

(4) Establish a transition plan; and

(c) If the State educational agency, which is responsible for administering preschool programs under part B of the Act, is not the lead agency under this part, an interagency agreement between the two agencies to ensure coordination on transition matters.

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NOTE: Among the matters that should be considered in developing policies and procedures to ensure a smooth transition of children from one program to the other are the following:

- The financial responsibilities of all appropriate agencies.
- The responsibility for performing evaluations of children.
- The development and implementation of an individualized education program ("IEP") or an individualized family service plan ("IFSP") for each child, consistent with the requirements of law (see § 303.344(h) and sections 612(a)(9) of the Act).
- The coordination of communication between agencies and the child's family.
- The mechanisms to ensure the uninterrupted provision of appropriate services to the child.

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**COMPONENTS OF A STATEWIDE SYSTEM—
APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

§ 303.160 Minimum components of a statewide system.

Each application must address the minimum components of a statewide system of coordinated, comprehensive, multidisciplinary, interagency programs providing appropriate early